

SEC. 4. Whereas, the importance of this legislation, the fact that the inhabitants of said School District, are now without school buildings and proper equipment therefor, and without means to properly support and maintain the schools thereof, and the further fact that the inhabitants of said City are without an adequate water works system for domestic use and fire protection, create an emergency and an imperative public necessity requiring a suspension of the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days; therefore, said Constitutional Rule is hereby suspended, and this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Approved June 11, 1927.

[H. B. No. 41 passed the House finally 88 yeas, 19 nays, and House concurred in Senate amendments 105 yeas, 2 nays; passed the Senate after being amended 25 yeas, 2 nays.]

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AUTHORIZING POLITICAL PARTIES THROUGH STATE  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES TO PRESCRIBE  
QUALIFICATIONS OF THEIR  
MEMBERS.

H. B. No. 57.]

CHAPTER 67.

AN ACT to repeal Article 3107 of Chapter 13 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, and substituting in its place a new Article providing that every political party in this State through its State Executive Committee shall have the power to prescribe the qualifications of its own members and shall in its own way determine who shall be qualified to vote or otherwise participate in such political party, and declaring an emergency.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. That Article 3107 of Chapter 13 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, be and the same is hereby repealed and a new article is hereby enacted so as to hereafter read as follows:

"Article 3107.—Every political party in this State through its State Executive Committee shall have the power to prescribe the qualifications of its own members and shall in its own way determine who shall be qualified to vote or otherwise participate in such political party; provided that no person shall ever be denied the right to participate in a primary in this State because of former political views or affiliations or because of membership or non-membership in organizations other than the political party."

SEC. 2. The fact that the Supreme Court of the United States has recently held Article 3107 invalid, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each House

be suspended, and said rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Approved June 7, 1927.

Effective 90 days after adjournment.

[H. B. No. 57 passed the House 77 yeas, 26 nays, 3 present not voting, and House concurred in Senate amendments by viva voce vote. Said bill passed the Senate after being amended by viva voce vote.]

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MISDEMEANOR CONVICTS CREDITED WITH ONE  
DOLLAR PER DAY.

H. B. No. 58.]

CHAPTER 68.

AN ACT to amend Article 793 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for Texas for 1925 so as to provide that if a defendant convicted of a misdemeanor and his punishment assessed at a fine and is unable to pay said fine and costs, he may discharge same at the rate of One Dollar per day; and declaring an emergency.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. That Article 793 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas for 1925 be amended so the same shall hereafter read as follows:

Article 793. When a defendant is convicted of a misdemeanor and his punishment is assessed at a pecuniary fine, if he is unable to pay the fine and costs adjudged against him, he may for such time as will satisfy the judgment be put to work in the workhouse, or on the county farm, or public improvements of the county, as provided in the succeeding article, or if there be no such workhouse, farm or improvement, he shall be imprisoned in jail for a sufficient length of time to discharge the full amount of fine and costs adjudged against him; rating such labor or imprisonment at One Dollar for each day thereof; provided that the provisions of this Act shall not apply to counties not having poor farms.

SEC. 2. The fact that the present law provides for an excess allowance for convicts and the importance of this Act create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each House be suspended, and said Rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Approved June 7, 1927.

Effective 90 days after adjournment.

[H. B. No. 58 passed the House 103 yeas, 9 nays; House concurred Senate amendments 100 yeas, 0 nays; passed Senate with amendments by viva voce vote.]